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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

HARADA ET AL.

Examiner

Rosemary E. Ashton

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Period for Reply

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 09 February 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-15 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 2-15 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 2/9/04.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tesoro et al. U.S. patent no. 3,406,004.

In col. 3, line 16 Tesoro teaches the compound $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-(CF}_2\text{)}_9\text{-CHF}_2$ as in claim 1 of the instant applications with other compounds in claim 1 of the patent.

3. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Caplus Abstract DN 124:87695 to Soloshonok et al.

As shown in the abstract Soloshonok teaches the compound $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-(CF}_2\text{)}_3\text{-CHF}_2$ as in claim 1.

4. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Caplus Abstract DN 113:23058 to Popov et al.

As shown in the abstract Popov teaches the compound $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-(CF}_2\text{)}_3\text{-CHF}_2$, $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-(CF}_2\text{)}_5\text{-CHF}_2$ and $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2$ as in claim 1.

5. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Caplus Abstract DN 78:72647 to Vali et al.

As shown in the abstract Vali teaches the compound $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-CF}_2\text{-CF}_2\text{-CF}_3$ as in claim 1.

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6. Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Caplus Abstract DN 60:82680 to DE 1163797.

As shown in the abstract DE 1163797 teaches the compounds $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-(CF}_2\text{)}_3\text{-CHF}_2$, $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-(CF}_2\text{)}_5\text{-CHF}_2$ and $\text{CH}_2=\text{CHSO}_3\text{-CH}_2\text{-CF}_2\text{-CHF}_2$ as in claim 1.

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 2-15 are allowed.

8. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: No prior art was found that teaches a polymer of the monomer having formula (2) and the polymer in a photoresist composition.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Rosemary E. Ashton whose telephone number is 571-272-1326. The examiner works a part-time work schedule and can normally be reached M-F between 11:30 am – 5:30 pm.

If multiple attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Cynthia Kelly can be reached at 571-272-1526.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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